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INDIAN QUINT DROPS THE FIRST GAME TO TIGERS IN THREE YEARS

Opening Championship Contest Lost 39 to 16—
Orange and Black Basketeers Fight Hard in
Final Stages—Tigers Pass Well—Murry,
Geddy and Graham Star

For the first time in three years an orange and black quint went down in defeat at the hands of the Hampden-Sidney basketeers. The Tigers took the game by the score of 39 to 16 on the night of January 16th.

It was the initial championship game on the new gymnasium floor at Hampden-Sidney and the Tigers fought with a great deal of "pep." The floor is a much larger court than ours and it was after some time and with difficulty that the Indians succeeded in finding themselves.

The Hampden-Sidney players started off with a rush and succeeded in gaining a good lead before William and Mary got together. Being on their own floor they had a slight advantage and managed to retain their margin throughout the game. The Tigers were more adept at the art of passing, and their team worked with more mechanical precision. Towards the latter part of the game the Indians recovered form and were playing at a fast pace.

For Hampden-Sidney the work of Captain Murray, McUwane and Graham stood out prominently while Murry and Geddy were the stars for the Indians.

It is not fair to the team to take this game as an indication of what the team will do this season because this was the second game of the season and the men had little experience. There was only one man on the floor who had ever been in a championship game before and naturally this state of affairs should be taken into consideration. The week's trip undoubtedly gave both the players and coach some valuable points.

Immediately after the examinations the team was put to work and on a strick pledge. From the present

outlook there seems to be a good chance of taking the Spiders into camp Wednesday night in the first game with them this season. New plays are being given and harder and longer periods of practice are in vogue.

The line up:

H.-S.	Position	W. & M.
Warren	l g	Copeland
McUwane	r g	Crigler
Graham	c	Robertson (Capt)
Murray	l f	Maddox
Crosby	r f	Murry

Substitutes: W. & M.—Geddy for Maddox, Maddox for Copeland. H. S.—Preston for Warren. Field goals—Graham, 9; Murray, 7; Crosby, 1; Geddy, 3; Murry, 2; Robertson, 2. Goals from fouls—Graham, 5; Murry, 2. Referee—Hargrove, V. P. I. Time of halves, 20 minutes.

MR. JAMES BUCHANAN TO SPEAK AT NEXT VESPER SERVICE

On February 11th the monthly Vesper Service will be held in the College Chapel at 4 o'clock. This session the committee has been very successful in securing prominent men as well as good speakers to give short addresses at these services. For the next services we are very fortunate to have with us Mr. James Buchanan, who is General Secretary of Associated Charities, of Richmond, Va.

Mr. Buchanan is a man of State-wide reputation as well as a man of noble ideals and high aspirations. Every man in College should avail himself of the opportunity of hearing him. The services are short and besides hearing a good speaker there is always a good musical program. Let's have the Chapel full next Sunday!

SIGMA UPSILON

CONCLAVE AT WILLIAMSBURG EASTER

Delegates From North Carolina and Virginia
To Assemble Here—Election of Officers
For Second Term Conducted

Gordon-Hope Chapter of Sigma Upsilon held its first meeting of the second term last Friday night. Several matters of significance were discussed.

At this session the local chapter of Sigma Upsilon decided to comply with the wishes of a large membership of the fraternity by arranging to have the sectional-conclave at Williamsburg this year. This assemblage will take place during the Easter holidays, and will be attended by delegates of Sigma Upsilon from the colleges of Virginia and North Carolina.

The election of officers for the second term was conducted with the following results: I. W. Robertson, president; C. R. Heflin, vice-president; G. M. Nickolson, secretary; M. H. Hobson, treasurer.

After the installation of the new officers contributions to the Magazine were read and criticized. The scarcity of material is becoming a serious problem and it behooves all men of a literary bend to give their support to the publication of our College Magazine.

PROF. W. M. A. BLOXTON SUG- CUMBS AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Professor William Moncure Ashby Bloxton, formerly professor of English and German at the William and Mary Academy, died at his home on the night of Jan. 22 after suffering from paralysis lasting a year.

In 1911, after receiving his B. A. degree at William and Mary College, he became professor of English and German in the Academy, which position he resigned about a year ago on account of failing health. Being affected with paralysis due to a tumor on the brain Prof. Bloxton

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FRESHMEN WINNERS

DEFEAT "SOPHS" IN ANNUAL CLASH

War Declared in Dining Hall—Superior Organization Gives Class of 1920 Victory—Twelve Minutes to Decide Conflict

On January 22nd the Freshmen with a mass formation of overpowering strength routed the Sophomores on Cary Field and marched triumphantly away with the Spottswood cannon in their possession, thus winning the annual cannon scrap.

Diplomatic relations became strained in correspondence conducted in the dining hall. Previously in the day the "Sophs" had decided not to send the ultimatum to the "Ducs," and in return their dignity was somewhat inflicted by a challenge from Garber, commander-in-chief of the class of 1920. War was instantly declared, and each party gathered their hosts for the approaching conflict.

Early in the evening the Sophomores selected a location in the northwest corner of Cary Field and at this point stationed their artillery. A few moments later at a distance could be seen the advance of the Freshmen, not in one place but all along the line. It was to be a decisive battle. When in sight of the fortifications Garber called his men to a halt, and with his staff decided upon a manner of attack. A general advance was then ordered and in twelve minutes the Freshmen had won the victory.

The lack of capable leadership stood out prominently in Sophomore's camp, and their defeat may be attributed largely to this fact. This is second victory for the Freshmen in as many years.

SPOKEN WITH FEELING

"Father, when people go to Heaven, do they get to be angels right away or do they have to pass a lot of darn old examinations?"—Life.

The Mid-winter German will be held in the College Gymnasium Friday evening, February 9th.

WAH HEE!--LET'S SCALP THE SPIDERS!

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TELEPHONES Nos 24

TUESDAY, FEB. 6, 1917

COLLEGE HOUR

President Kyle of the Senior Class is arranging for College hour next Monday. Several matters of importance will be discussed. If you have business which you wish to bring before the student body, you must see the President of the Senior Class beforehand to arrange for time. No digression from the program will be allowed. The presence of the entire student body is essential to high achievement. Attend with the feeling that those who are to good to share the responsibility of self-government are not good enough to share its benefits.

A SQUARE DEAL

The principles of the square-deal program is not restricted to Roosevelt's political arena but its application in college life is often desirable. It involves an equal opportunity for all.

We feel that it is necessary only to call the attention of certain students to apply the square deal in dealing with their fellow-students to obtain results. We refer to specific cases where impositions of even a mild nature often deprives a student from doing the best work. His room becomes a rendezvous instead of a private room, a resort instead of a place of business. His courtesy is imposed upon by those of leisure of tonight and those of leisure tomorrow night, and if the student happens to be a member of the Freshman class, his sense of courtesy is more general than otherwise, but the imposition is none the less to be guarded against. One man's leisure can not be made the equivalent of many without an infringement upon equal opportunity. We trust that in social relations the square deal will be kept in mind and no man will be made to suffer for his courtesy.

OVER-ORGANIZED COACHING

Numerous diagnoses of the trouble with athletics in the various educational institutions have been made and it is possible that President John Grier Hibben, of Princeton, located a serious trouble in his annual report when he said that athletics are suffering from an over-organized system of coaching.

Dr. Hibben declares that the system as it is now followed tends to make puppets of the players. "It is quite absurd," he declares, "that the control of the team in all preliminary games should be in the hands of a body of men who are relegated to the side lines when the play is on. After all, it is an undergraduate affair and the game should be planned and played by undergraduates."

Y. M. C. A. NEWS

The Y. M. C. A. held its regular meeting last Wednesday night at the usual hour. At this meeting Dr. King was expected to give one of his series of addresses to prospective medical students, but because of other business was unable to be present. On account of Dr. King's absence the program was somewhat short.

This being the last meeting of the fiscal year ending February the first, the retiring cabinet turned over its business to the new cabinet. The names of Messrs. B. L. Williams and W. H. Cheatham were placed before the members as candidates for the Vice-Presidency to fill the vacancy made by Mr. Acey, who on the resignation of Mr. Maddox became president. We have a very competent cabinet for the following year and urge that every college man give them their very best support. If we are to support these men we must go to the meetings on Wednesday nights. The program is short and well worth the few minutes of any student's time.

MOORMAN IMPEACHES MOUSE

My Lords, you have now heard the charges on which this mouse is to be impeached. Here he has shown his intention to continue to lay waste the provisions of the land, to strike terror into the lives of the daughters of men and to jump into chairs for protection. He has gnawed countless buildings into saw dust. He has sent vessels down into the depths of the ocean. He has innumerable cities to destruction by his incendiary devices. My Lords, he has caused you to snatch thy last garment from its resting place in pursuit of his arrest. This wicked monster, I trust Sir, will be treated as he deserves, as an impositor and torturer of humanity, a perverter of justice and a woman frightener.

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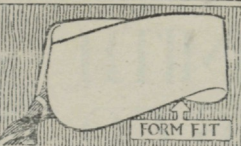
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THREE NEW COURSES ARE OFFERED FOR SPRING TERM

Latin, Mathematics and Philosophy Departments are to Have New Classes

There are three new courses offered to the students during the spring term. They are in Latin, Philosophy and Mathematics.

The courses in Latin will be called Latin VI and will deal with the handling of Latin in the high schools. Time will be devoted to pronunciation and rapid sight reading. This should be a valuable course for those who expect to teach Latin. It does not count towards the twelve required credits but does count three high group credits towards an A. B. degree.

The course in Philosophy will be called Philosophy III and will be given by Prof. Geiger. It is a course dealing with the social aspects of life and no doubt will be profitable and instructive to students interested in philosophy.

Math. XII, which is the new course in Mathematics, is a history of the development of Mathematics down to its present standing. It will take up the development of several fundamental processes in elementary mathematics.

These three courses added to the courses which regularly come in the spring will no doubt prove a large benefit particularly to students who are confronted with conflicts in arranging their schedule.

PERSONAL MENTION

Chandler, Carneal, Johnson, Pullen and Nickolson were in Norfolk Saturday night to witness Griffith's latest production, "Intolerance."

Dr. Geiger was in Richmond Saturday for medical treatment.

Z. T. Kile was called to Richmond Monday on important business connected with the State Educational Department.

W. O. Mason was called home Sunday on account of the death of his grandmother.

G. B. Zhemer, '16, spent Sunday in Williamsburg.

Goslee, Murry and Tennis went home Saturday at noon for a short stay with their relatives.

Hedrick spent several days last week drumming adds. in Richmond for the Colonial Echo.

REGISTRY OF NEW STUDENTS

Several new students have signed up for work the second term, among whom are:

H. L. Duff, Quinque, Va.
Joe Phillips, Newport News, Va.
M. F. Stornes, Hill Station, Va.
J. S. Duff, Quinque, Va.
F. W. Bachmann, Worcester, Mass.
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I've flunked every coase---Modern Patrick.
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To speak more specifically---Heroditus.
How are you all gentlemen---Agricola.
Aint you got no sense---Prexus Livius.
Thou poor jack---Wm. A. Hipkins.
Little class Saday night---Doc Praeceptor.
Howdy please---Persimmons.
I have been requested to announce---M. Salle de Manger.
Have you seen that man---Catilina.
Yo've just not got it---Sir Isaac Newton.
Mr. next, you, what about it---Virginius Callis.

ATHLETIC HEART A MYTH

One of the most interesting discussions at the convention of the National Collegiate Athletic association recently held at Northwestern university, revolved around the "athletic heart." According to Dr. Roger I. Lee of Harvard university there is no such thing as an athletic heart. Dr. Lee claimed to have proved this during the last year with Harvard oarsmen, by means of new instruments devised to take graphic records.

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PROF. W. M. A. BLOXTON SUC- CUMBS AFTER LONG ILLNESS

was taken to the most eminent
specialists in the country for treat-
ment. Receiving temporary benefit
he returned home and then spent
some time in the John Hopkins Hos-
pital. Finding it impossible to get
relief, he came home to spend the
remaining months with his family.

For a time his condition remained
unchanged while a few days prior
to his death when his condition be-
came alarming, and the physician
and relations were summoned to his
bedside to await the end.

The funeral services were con-
ducted by Rev. F. D. Thomas at the
Presbyterian church. The remains
were taken to Suffolk, where the
burial services took place.

Prof. Bloxton was born in York
County March 12, 1879, and was in
the prime of life when stricken with
paralysis. He was the son of the
late William Bloxton. He was a
man of large usefulness to the col-
lege, the community, and the state.
Born and bred on the farm in his
early days he earned his bread by
the sweat of the brow. He also
worked on the railroad, and it is said
that when a small boy he pulled the
throttle on the first engine to run over
the peninsula division of the Ches-
apeake and Ohio Railroad. While
at college he was not only a
good student but was busy in college
activities. He was editor-in-chief
of the College Annual in 1911, which
was one of the most ably edited an-
nuals ever turned out by the college.

On October 4, 1913, Prof. Bloxton
was happily married to Miss Adelaide
Everett, of Driver, Va., and to the
union was born two children, Eliza-
beth and Nellie Stuart. In addition
to his wife and children he is sur-
vived by one brother, Stamper Blox-
ton, of Harrisonburg, Va.

DEBATE NEWS

In Chapel on Thursday night,
January 18th, was held the second
preliminary contest for selecting
four men to represent the College in
the triangular debate to be held with
Randolph-Macon and Richmond Col-
lege March 2nd. This was the most
hotly contested preliminary debate
perhaps ever held in the College,
and it was only after considerable
deliberation that the judges reached
a decision.

The following students will make
up the debating team: Affirmative,
Ferguson and Simms; negative,
Eason and Moorman.

Within the next two weeks a con-
test between the two college debat-
ing teams will be staged in the
Chapel. Anyone wishing to hear a
thorough discussion of the proposed
compulsory military system will do
well to be present.

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